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Edward III - W. M. Ormrod 2012-01-24

Edward III (1312-1377) was the most successful European ruler of his age. Reigning for over fifty years, he achieved spectacular military triumphs and overcame grave threats to his authority, from parliamentary revolt to the Black Death. Revered by his subjects as a chivalric dynamo, he initiated the Hundred Years' War and gloriously led his men into battle against the Scots and the French. In this illuminating biography, W. Mark Ormrod takes a deeper look at Edward to reveal the man beneath the military muscle. What emerges is Edward's clear sense of his duty to rebuild the prestige of the Crown, and through military gains and shifting diplomacy, to secure a legacy for posterity. New details of the splendor of Edward's court, lavish national celebrations, and innovative use of imagery establish the king's instinctive understanding of the bond between ruler and people. With fresh emphasis on how Edward's rule was affected by his family relationships--

including his roles as traumatized son, loving husband, and dutiful father--Ormrod gives a valuable new dimension to our understanding of this remarkable warrior king.

The British herald, or Cabinet of armorial bearings of the nobility & gentry of Great Britain & Ireland - Thomas Robson (engraver.) 1830

The Reign of Henry IV - Gwilym Dodd 2008
Investigations of Henry IV's reign have tended to concentrate on how he seized power, rather than how he governed. However, the period between 1403 and 1413 was no less dramatic and challenging for Henry than the initial years of his rule: he faced a series of rebellions, a financial crisis, deep-seated opposition in parliament, ill-health and a number of serious dilemmas relating to foreign policy. The essays here examine, and provide fresh interpretations of, both these particular aspects, and of broader topics adding to our understanding and government and society in the period, including

the role of the lower clergy in parliament, and the mechanisms and scope of royal patronage.

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The Household Knights of Edward III -

Matthew Hefferan 2021

First extended survey of the subject, looking at the knights' activities, roles, background and service.

Falling From Grace - J. S. Bothwell 2008

This book examines how medieval nobles were treated. Topics covered include trials, imprisonment, exile, mutilation and execution.

The Black Prince - Michael Jones 2018-05-01

As a child he was given his own suit of armor; at the age of sixteen, he helped defeat the French at Crécy. At Poitiers, in 1356, his victory over King John II of France forced the French into a humiliating surrender that marked the zenith of

England's dominance in the Hundred Years War. As lord of Aquitaine, he ruled a vast swathe of territory across the west and southwest of France, holding a magnificent court at Bordeaux that mesmerized the brave but unruly Gascon nobility and drew them like moths to the flame of his cause. He was Edward of Woodstock, eldest son of Edward III, and better known to posterity as "the Black Prince." His military achievements captured the imagination of Europe: heralds and chroniclers called him "the flower of all chivalry" and "the embodiment of all valor." But what was the true nature of the man behind the chivalric myth, and of the violent but pious world in which he lived?

Medievalia Et Humanistica - 1999

Lords and Lordship in the British Isles in the Late Middle Ages - Rees Davies

2009-06-11

It is well known that political, economic, and social power in the British Isles in the Middle

Ages lay in the hands of a small group of domini-lords. In his final book, the late Sir Rees Davies explores the personalities of these magnates, the nature of their lordship, and the ways in which it was expressed in a diverse and divided region in the period 1272-1422. Although their right to rule was rarely questioned, the lords flaunted their identity and superiority through the promotion of heraldic lore, the use of elevated forms of address, and by the extravagant display of their wealth and power. Their domestic routine, furnishings, dress, diet, artistic preferences, and pastimes all spoke of a lifestyle of privilege and authority. Warfare was a constant element in their lives, affording access to riches and reputation, but also carrying the danger of capture, ruin and even death, while their enthusiasm for crusades and tournaments testified to their energy and bellicose inclinations. Above all, underpinning the lords' control of land was their control of men—a complex system of dependence and reward that

Davies restores to central significance by studying the British Isles as a whole. The exercise and experience of lordship was far more varied than the English model alone would suggest.

Edward III and the English Peerage - James Bothwell 2004

A study of Edward III's astute use of patronage to reposition the monarchy after the vicissitudes of his father's reign and his own problematic minority.

The Handbook to English Heraldry - Charles Boutell 2008-07

This edition revised with an extra chapter by Fox-Davis. 500 illustrations on wood

Crown and Nobility - Anthony Tuck 1999-12-16
Crown and Nobility traces the development of the relationship between kings and nobles in late medieval England. It shows how the differing abilities and personalities of the late medieval English kings powerfully affected their relationship with the nobility.

The Washingtons: A Family History - Justin Glenn 2014-07-29

This Royal Descents supplement is an outgrowth of the author's multi-volume family history of the Presidential Branch of the Washingtons. That work collects the descendants of the immigrant John Washington who settled in Westmoreland Co., Va., in 1657, married Anne Pope, and became the great-grandfather of President George Washington. The Royal Descents traces the ancestry of the early Virginia members of this Presidential Branch back in time to the aristocracy and nobility of England and continental Europe, including the Plantagenet dynasty, William the Conqueror, Alfred the Great, Charles Martel, and Charlemagne. ADVANCE PRAISE for *The Washingtons: A Family History* - I am convinced that your work will be of wide interest to historians and academics as well as members of the Washington family itself. Although the surname Washington is perhaps the best known in

American history and much has been written about the Washington family for well over a century, it is surprising that no comprehensive family history has been published. Justin M. Glenn's *The Washingtons: A Family History* finally fills this void for the branch to which General and President George Washington belonged, identifying some 63,000 descendants. This is truly a family history, not a mere tabulation of names and dates, providing biographical accounts of many of the descendants of John Washington who settled in Westmoreland County, Virginia, in 1657. . . . Each individual section is followed by extensive listings of published and manuscript sources supporting the information presented and errors of identification in previous publications are commented upon as appropriate. John Frederick Dorman, editor of *The Virginia Genealogist* (1957-2006) and author of *Adventurers of Purse and Person - Decades of reviewing Civil War books* have left me surprised and delighted when

someone applies exhaustive diligence to a topic not readily accessible. Dr. Glenn surely meets that standard with the meticulous research that unveils the Washington family in gratifying detail—many of them Confederates of interest and importance.â Robert K. Krick, author of *The Smoothbore Volley that Doomed the Confederacy and Stonewall Jackson at Cedar Mountain*

The Royal Minorities of Medieval and Early Modern England - Charles Beem 2008-09-15

This study covers the history of the underage male kings of England, examining their historical relationship to one another and assessing their collective impact on the political and constitutional development of England.

[My Kingdom for a Horse](#) - Ed West 2018-05-01
A history of the York vs. Lancaster family feud, a very nasty tale of carnage, murder, and madness. From William Shakespeare's series of history dramas to George R.R. Martin's *A Song of Ice and Fire*, the British civil war of 1455 to

1485 has inspired countless writers. Illuminating the history that's sparked so much fiction, Ed West's *My Kingdom for a Horse* describes the bloody war fought for thirty long years between the descendants of King Edward III in a battle for the throne. Named after the emblems used by the two leading families, the Houses of York and Lancaster, the "War of the Roses" conveys a romantic feeling that probably wasn't as apparent to those on the battlefield having swords shoved into their eyes. And, for all the lovely heraldry and glamorous costumes of the era, the war saw the complete breakdown of the medieval code of chivalry in which prisoners were spared, which makes it even more suitable for drama. In 1460-61 alone, twelve noblemen were killed in the field and six were beheaded off it, removing a third of the English peerage. With a blackly comic tone, *My Kingdom for a Horse* is an ideal introduction for anyone interested in one of history's most insane wars. Featuring such infamous figures as King Henry

VI, whose madness triggered the breakdown, and the wicked Richard III, who murdered his young nephews to take the throne, this entry in Ed West's A Very, Very Short History of England series is a must for fans of British history.

A Genealogical and Heraldic Dictionary of the Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire - John Bernard Burke 1845

A Genealogical and Heraldic Dictionary of the Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire - Bernard Burke 1858

The Orders of Knighthood and the Formation of the British Honours System, 1660-1760 - Antti Matikkala 2008

`Sheds considerable new light on the nature, development and functions of the orders in a key phase of their history, and goes a long way to explaining how such archaic institutions could flourish in a culture that is commonly thought anti-traditional and especially hostile to the

"middle ages". Professor JONATHAN BOULTON, University of Notre Dame. This is the first comprehensive study to set the British orders of knighthood properly into the context of the honours system - by analysing their political, social and cultural functions from the Restoration of the monarchy to the end of George II's reign. It examines the revival of the Order of the Garter and the proposals to establish the Orders of the Royal Oak and the Esquires of the Martyred King at the Restoration, the foundation (1687) and the revival (1703-4) of the Order of the Thistle as well as the foundation of the Order of the Bath (1725). It establishes just how central a part the orders played in the British high political life and its comprehensive and multidimensional approach carefully contrasts the idealistic discourse of virtue and honour to the real workings of the honours system; it also makes the case for the 'Chivalric Enlightenment'. The 'orders over the water', the Garter and the

Thistle conferred by the Jacobite claimants, are discussed for the first time in the context of the established British honours system. Overall, the comparison between the socially very restricted British and the increasingly meritocratic Continental orders highlights the isolation of the British honours system from the European tendencies.

The Politics of Magnate Power in England and Wales, 1389-1413 - Alastair Dunn 2003

Using previously neglected sources, this work offers a radical reinterpretation of the Lancastrian revolution, and the establishment of Henry IV's kingship. It also re-examines the reign of Richard II, and charts the shift of power between the crown and the nobility at the turn of the fifteenth century.

The Queen and the Mistress - Gemma Hollman 2023-04-04

The riveting story of two women whose divergent personalities and positions impacted the court of Edward III, one of medieval

England's greatest kings. There were two women in Edward III's life: Philippa of Hainault, his wife of forty years and bearer of twelve children, and his mistress, Alice Perrers, the twenty-year-old who took the king's fancy as his ageing wife grew sick. After Philippa's death Alice began to dominate court, amassing a fortune and persuading the elderly Edward to promote her friends and punish her enemies. In *The Queen and the Mistress*, Gemma Hollman brings the story of these two women to life and contrasts the "perfect" medieval queen—the pious, unpolitical, steady Philippa—with the impertinent youth—the wily, charismatic, manipulative Alice. One died a royal, adored, while the full force of the English court united against Alice, wresting both money and power from her and leaving her with nothing but a mission to try to reclaim all that was lost. Both women had wealth and power but used vitally different methods to dispense it. In *The Queen and the Mistress*, Hollman brings to the fore

their differences and similarities in a unique look at women and power in the Middle Ages.

Historical Dictionary of the British Monarchy - James Panton 2011-02-24

The Historical Dictionary of the British Monarchy provides a chronology starting with the year 495 and continuing to the present day, an introductory essay, an extensive bibliography, and over 600 cross-referenced dictionary entries on significant persons, places, events, institutions, and other aspects of British culture, society, economy, and politics. This book is a must for anyone interested in the British monarchy.

Aymer de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, 1307-1324: Baronial Politics in the Reign of Edward II - J. R. S. Phillips 1972

Medieval Royal Mistresses - Julia A Hickey
2023-01-30

Marriage for Medieval kings was about politics, power and the provision of legitimate heirs.

Mistresses were about love, lust and possession. It was a world that included kidnap, poison, murder, violation, public shaming and accusations of witchcraft. Ambition and quick wits as well as beauty were essential attributes for any royal mistress. Infamy, assassination and imprisonment awaited some royal mistresses who tumbled from favour while others disappeared into obscurity or respectable lives as married women and were quickly forgotten. Meet Nest of Wales, born in turbulent times, whose abduction started a war; Alice Perrers and Jane Shore labelled 'whores' and 'wantons'; Katherine Swynford who turned the medieval world upside down with a royal happy-ever-after and Rosamund Clifford who left history and stepped into legend. Discover how serial royal womanisers married off their discarded mistresses to bind their allies close. Explore the semi-official roles of some mistresses; the illegitimate children who became kings; secret marriage ceremonies; Edith Forne Sigulfson and

Lady Eleanor Talbot who sought atonement through religion as well as the aristocratic women who became the victims of royal lust. Most of the shameful women who shared the beds of medieval kings were silenced, besmirched or consigned to the footnotes of a patriarchal worldview but they negotiated paths between the private and public spheres of medieval court life - changing history as they went.

The English Nobility in the Late Middle Ages - Chris Given-Wilson 1996

An authoritative and vivid reconstruction of the true nature of political society in late medieval England. Arranged thematically, it is ideal for student use.

Edward IV - Charles Ross 1998-01-21

In his own time Edward IV was seen as an able and successful king who rescued England from the miseries of civil war and provided the country with firm, judicious, and popular government. The prejudices of later historians

diminished this high reputation, until recent research confirmed Edward as a ruler of substantial achievement, whose methods and policies formed the foundation of early Tudor government. This classic study by Charles Ross places the reign firmly in the context of late medieval power politics, analyzing the methods by which a usurper sought to retain his throne and reassert the power of a monarchy seriously weakened by the feeble rule of Henry VI.

Edward's relations with the politically active classes—the merchants, gentry, and nobility—form a major theme, and against this background Ross provides an evaluation of the many innovations in government on which the king's achievement rests.

Law, Governance, and Justice - 2013-01-14

How law and governance operated in Medieval England—and whether contemporaries saw justice in its operations—have long generated scholarly discussions. Thirteen scholars, established and younger figures, historians and

literary analysts, offer their new views in this volume.

Edward III's Round Table at Windsor - Julian Munby 2008

The image of King Arthur's Round Table is well-known, both as Thomas Malory's portrayal of a fellowship of knights dedicated to the highest ideals of chivalry, and as the great wooden table at Winchester castle. Now a dramatic archaeological find at Windsor castle sheds new light on the idea of a round table as a gathering: the 'House of the Round Table' which Edward III ordered to be constructed at the conclusion of his Windsor festival of 1344. The discovery of the foundation trench of a great building two hundred feet in diameter in the Upper Ward of Windsor castle, allows the reconstruction of that building's appearance and raises the question of its purpose. Chronicles, building materials inventories from the royal accounts, medieval romances, and earlier descriptions of round table festivals all confirm the archaeological

evidence: at a time when secular orders of knighthood were almost unknown, Edward declared his intention to found an Order of the Round Table with three hundred knights. This grand building, and the Arthurian entertainments he planned for it, would bind his nobles to his cause at a crucial point in his progress to claiming the throne of France. His ambitious scheme, however, was overtaken by events. Victory at Crécy in 1346 confirmed Edward's reputation, and the order which he founded in 1348 was the much more exclusive Order of the Garter, rewarding those commanders who had helped him to win the Crécy campaign. His reputation was assured, the omens for his reign were auspicious; he had the loyalty of his knights and magnates. The Round Table building was abandoned, and eventually pulled down in the 1360s. Thus a major plank in the strategic thinking of one of England's greatest kings almost became a footnote in history. Time Team discovered ... there (are)

indeed foundations of a massive round building in Windsor Castle's upper ward. A splendidly produced volume, which gives full credit both to the history and to the archaeology: analysis of the chivalric background, archaeological analysis, discussion of the probable form of the building (and) the early history of Windsor Castle as well as the types of stone used by Edward III's masons. The book is attractively illustrated, and its appendices provide a full text in Latin, with translation, of the building accounts, as well as translations of many of the relevant chronicle extracts. MICHAEL PRESTWICH, THE TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

English Society in the Later Middle Ages -

S.H. Rigby 1995-05-10

What was the social structure of England in the period 1200 to 1500? What were the basic forms of social inequality? To what extent did such divisions generate social conflict? How significantly did English society change during

this period and what were the causes of social change? Is it useful to see medieval social structure in terms of the theories and concepts produced within the medieval period itself? What does modern social theory have to offer the historian seeking to understand English society in the later middle ages? These are the questions which this book seeks to answer. Beginning with an analysis of class structure of medieval England, Part One of this book asks to what extent class conflict was inherent within class relations and discusses the contrasting successes and outcomes of such conflict in town and country. Part Two of the book examines to what extent such class divisions interacted with other forms of social inequality, such as those between orders (nobility and clergy), between men and women, and those arising from membership of a status-group (the Jews). Dr Rigby's discussion of medieval English society is located within the context of recent historical and sociological debates about the nature of

social stratification and, using the work of social theorists such as Parkin and Runciman, offers a synthesis of the Marxist and Weberian approaches to social structure. The book should be extremely useful to those undergraduates beginning their studies of medieval England whilst, in offering a new interpretative framework within which to examine social structure, also interesting those historians who are more familiar with this period.

Making Aristocracy Work - Andrew Adonis 1993

A study of the political role and activities of the peerage both inside and outside Parliament, the late 19th and early 20th century. Andrew Adonis reassesses the strengths and weaknesses of the House of Lords, and shows how its members were able to justify themselves by their work.

Nobility and Kingship in Medieval England -

Andrew M. Spencer 2014

This book reassesses the relationship between Edward I and his earls, and the role of English

nobility in thirteenth-century governance.

Speaking Pictures - Virginia Mason Vaughan 2010

Speaking Pictures explores the complex negotiations between seeing and hearing essential to the audiences' experience in any dramatic performance. Ranging chronologically from the Middle Ages to the present, the essays consider a variety of methods that help us recuperate the visual impact of theatrical spectacle before the age of video archives. The anthology takes its discussion of performance beyond the physical space of the theater to examine texts that were meant to be spoken but not literally performed, such as medieval pageantry and closet dramas of the nineteenth century. Many essays focus on the Early Modern English stage, particularly the challenges of recapturing the totality of the original audience's experience in London's open air theaters by the examination of stage directions, text, and archival evidence. The collection concludes with

a discussion of the contemporary actor's challenge in physicalizing the language of Early Modern plays, especially Shakespeare's England in the Reign of Edward III - Scott L. Waugh 1991-02-22

Waugh examines the strains on English life in the remarkable era of Edward III.

The English Nobility in the Late Middle Ages - Chris Given-Wilson 2002-11

An authoritative and vivid reconstruction of the true nature of political society in late medieval England. Arranged thematically, it is ideal for student use.

Medieval Britain, c.1000-1500 - David Crouch 2017-04-06

This introductory textbook offers a fully integrated perspective of medieval Britain, from 1000 to 1500. Written in an engaging and accessible style and organised thematically, the book emphasises elements of medieval life over political narrative. It will be an essential resource for undergraduate students taking

courses on medieval Britain.

Government and Political Life in England and France, c.1300-c.1500 - Christopher Fletcher 2015-04-20

A detailed comparative study of how kings governed late-medieval France and England, analysing the multiple mechanisms of royal power.

The Later Middle Ages, 1272-1485 - George Holmes 1966

English life in the thirteenth century was characterized by: a single Christian Church owing allegiance to Rome and living on the revenues of its estates; kingship with difficulty kept intact in the face of scheming magnates jealous of their privileges; a countryside divided into thousands of small estates, tilled by peasants--some of them serfs--and owned by lords with considerable power over their tenants; armies of knights fighting on horseback; Gothic cathedrals; monasteries; castles; town guilds. Professor Holmes describes this medieval

society and its evolution, after the Black Death, into a somewhat different kind of society in the late fifteenth century. He argues that the population decrease as a result of the plague, beginning in 1349, brought about fundamental transformations: village life changed, serfdom disappeared, the great estates became less important, industry grew, and the commodities and directions of trade changed.

Richard II and the English Nobility - Anthony Tuck 1973

While learning some facts about animals, the reader is challenged to guess why A is for zoo, B is for dog, and C is for hen.

The Red Prince - Helen Carr 2021-04-15

A TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES BEST BOOK OF 2021 'The Red Prince announces Helen Carr as one of the most exciting new voices in narrative history.' Dan Jones Son of Edward III, brother to the Black Prince, father to Henry IV and the sire of all the Tudors. Always close to the English throne, John of Gaunt left a complex legacy. Too

rich, too powerful, too haughty... did he have his eye on his nephew's throne? Why was he such a focus of hate in the Peasants' Revolt? In examining the life of a pivotal medieval figure, Helen Carr paints a revealing portrait of a man who held the levers of power on the English and European stage, passionately upheld chivalric values, pressed for the Bible to be translated into English, patronised the arts, ran huge risks to pursue the woman he loved... and, according to Shakespeare, gave the most beautiful of all speeches on England.

The English - Geoffrey Elton 1995-02-17

A survey of the English experience through a thousand years and more, this book concentrates on the lasting characteristics of a people who early on discovered the fact of a national identity. The outstanding hallmarks of this experience were the existence of a strong central authority (in the monarchy), the provision of a system of law, and with these two the possibility of preserving individual rights and

liberties in the face of a long sequence of historical vicissitudes.

Genealogical and Heraldic Dictionary of the Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire -

1848

The Genealogy of the Existing British Peerage - Edmund Lodge 1838